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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

In the Claims: Please amend claim 16 as follows. Claims 16, 18, 19-21 and 23-26 are pending herein (claims 17 and 22 were previously canceled).

Complete Listing of All of the Claims:

- 1. (withdrawn) A method of extraction of olive leaves, comprising:
 - a) treating the olive leaves to inactivate enzymes in the olive leaves;
 - b) continuously extracting the treated olive leaves with a non-aqueous solvent, filtering and concentrating to form a first paste;
 - c) removing the non-aqueous solvent;
 - d) treating in a second solvent treatment step to form a final extract, wherein said final extract contains about 6-10% oleuropein.
- 2. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1. wherein the second solvent treatment step comprises suspending the first paste in water, boiling, filtering, and re-concentrating to form a second paste; and combining the second paste with alcohol and activated food-grade charcoal, boiling, filtering and re-concentrating to form the final extract.
- 3. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1, wherein the olive leaves are treated by steps comprising:
 - a) grinding the olive leaves to a fine powder; and
 - b) treating the fine powder to inactivate enzymes in the olive leaves.
- 4. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 3, wherein said treatment comprises mixing the fine powder with an anti-enzymatic compound.
- 5. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 4, wherein the anti-enzymatic compound is MgSO₄.
- 6. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 5, wherein the concentration of MgSO₄ is 0.25%.

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- 7. (withdrawn) The method according to claim I, wherein the non-aqueous solvent is selected from the group consisting of petroleum ether, benzene, hexane, chloroform, and mixtures thereof.
- 8. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1, wherein the continuous extraction is performed at 70°C.
- 9. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1, wherein the continuous extraction is performed for 48 to 72 hours and includes maceration of the ground olive leaves.
- 10. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1, wherein the non-aqueous solvent is removed by distillation.
- 11. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 1, wherein one part of the second paste is combined with two parts alcohol and one part activated food-grade charcoal.
- 12. (withdrawn) The method according to claim , wherein each boiling step is performed for about two hours.
- 13. (withdrawn) A product for application to skin comprising at least about ½% of an olive-leaf extract according to claim 1.
- 14. (withdrawn) The product according to claim 13, further comprising at least one component selected from the group consisting of: vitamin C, a vitamin E component, and vitamin A.
- 15. (withdrawn) The product according to claim 13, further comprising L-ascorbic acid, a vitamin E component, and vitamin A.
- 16. (currently amended) A product for application to skin, comprising:
 - a) at least about ½ % of an a non aquisous solvent extract of olive leaves obtained

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by steps comprising treatment of the olive leaves to inactivate enzymes, followed by extraction with a non-aqueous organic solvent, and purification and concentration steps;

- b) 5-25% L-ascorbic acid;
- c) ½ 2% vitamin E component selected from the group consisting of tocopherols and tocotrienols; and
- d) ½ 2% vitamin A.
- 17. (canceled) The product according to claim 16, wherein the olive extract is an olive-leaf extract.
- 18. (currently amended) The product according to claim 16, wherein the extract of olive leaves is obtained by steps -a method of extraction of olive leaves, comprising:
 - e) treating the olive leaves to inactivate enzymes in the olive leaves;
 - f) continuously extracting the treated olive leaves with a non-aqueous solvent,
 filtering and concentrating to form a first paste;
 - g) removing the non-aqueous solvent;
 - h) treating in a second solvent treatment step to form a final extract, wherein said final extract contains about 6-10% oleuropein; and

wherein the extract of olive leaves is the final extract.

- 19. (original) The product according to claim 16, further comprising a vehicle selected from the group consisting of distilled water, alcohol, and a surfactant.
- 20. (previously presented) The product according to claim 18 comprising:
 - a) 1% of the final extract of olive leaves;
 - b) 15-20% L-ascorbic acid;
 - c) 1-2% vitamin E component; and
 - d) 1% vitamin A.

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- 21. (original) The product according to claim 16. wherein the vitamin E component comprises α-tocopherol.
- 22. (canceled) The product according to claim 16, wherein the vitamin E component is selected from the group consisting of tocopherols and tocotrienols.
- 23. (previously presented) The product according to claim 16, wherein the extract of olive leaves comprises at least one antioxidant phenolic compound.
- 24. (original) The product according to claim 23, wherein the antioxidant phenolic compound is selected from the group consisting of oleuropein and hydroxytyrosol.
- 25. (original) The product according to claim 16, further comprising 1-5% zinc sulfate.
- 26. (original) The product according to claim 16, wherein the pH is about 2.0 to 4.5.
- 27. (withdrawn) A method of treating skin, comprising applying to the skin a product containing the final extract of claim 1.
- 28. (withdrawn) A method of treating skin, comprising applying to the skin a product formulated according to claim 16.